

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-4 (canceled):

Claim 5 (currently amended): A silver halide photographic emulsion comprising a silver halide ~~grain~~ grains having adsorbed on the surface thereof multiple layers of at least one of a sensitizing dye in multiple layers, wherein ~~assuming that~~ when the optical density of the grains at a spectral absorption maximum wavelength before the photographic processing is G0 and the optical density of the grains at a spectral absorption maximum wavelength after the photographic processing is G1, A represented by $A=G1/G0$ is 0.9 or less.

Claim 6 (original): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in claim 5, wherein A is 0.5 or less.

Claims 7-8 (canceled):

Claim 9 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, comprising a silver halide ~~grain~~ grains having adsorbed on the surface thereof multiple layers of at least one of a sensitizing dye in multiple layers, wherein the sensitizing dye in ~~the~~ a first layer and the sensitizing

~~dyes dye in the a second layer and upper layers each~~ is not a sensitizing dye linked through a covalent bond.

Claim 10 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, which contains a silver halide grain having a spectral absorption maximum wavelength of less than 500 nm and a light absorption strength of 60 or more or having a spectral absorption maximum wavelength of 500 nm or more and a light absorption strength of 100 or more.

Claim 11 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, wherein ~~assuming that~~ when the maximum value of the spectral absorption ~~ratio~~ factor by the sensitizing dye of individual grain is A_{max} , the wavelength distance between the shortest wavelength and the longest wavelength ~~out of the wavelengths~~ showing 50% adsorption of the A_{max} is 120 nm or less.

Claim 12 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, wherein ~~assuming that~~ when the maximum value of the spectral sensitivity by the ~~sensitizing dye grains~~ is S_{max} , the wavelength distance between the shortest wavelength and the longest wavelength ~~out of the wavelengths~~ showing 50% sensitivity of the S_{max} is 120 nm or less.

Claim 13 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in claim 11, wherein the longest wavelength showing a spectral absorption

~~ratio factor~~ corresponding to 50% adsorption of ~~the~~ Amax is in the range of from 460 to 510 nm, from 560 to 610 nm or from 640 to 730 nm.

Claim 14 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in claim 12, wherein the longest wavelength showing a spectral sensitivity corresponding to 50% sensitivity of ~~the~~ Smax is in the range of from 460 to 510 nm, from 560 to 610 nm or from 640 to 730 nm.

Claim 15 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, wherein the excitation energy of the sensitizing dye in ~~the~~ a second layer or upper layers above the second layer makes an energy transfer to the sensitizing dye in the first layer at an efficiency of 10% or more.

Claim 16 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, wherein the sensitizing dye in the first layer and the sensitizing dye in the second or upper layer both show the J-band absorption.

Claim 17 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, which contains a sensitizing dye having at least one aromatic group.

Claim 18 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, which contains a sensitizing dye having a basic nucleus ~~resulting from the condensation~~ of three or more condensed rings.

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Claim 19 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in claims ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5 wherein tabular grains having an aspect ratio of 2 or more are present in a proportion of 50% (area) or more of all silver halide grains in the emulsion.

Claim 20 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, which is subjected to selenium sensitization.

Claim 21 (currently amended): The silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5, which contains a silver halide adsorptive compound other than a sensitizing dye.

Claim 22 (currently amended): A silver halide photographic light-sensitive material comprising at least one layer of the silver halide photographic emulsion as claimed in ~~claims 1 to 5, 7 and 8~~ claim 5.